GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1550
ANSWERED ON:09.03.2007
SLOW PACE OF SWAJALDHARA YOJANA
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work on Swajaldhara Yojana for providing safe drinking water in the rural areas is going slow in many States;

(b) if so, the reason therefor;

(c) the details of the funds allocated thereunder during the last three years and current year, State-wise;

(d) whether the Yojana is lagging behind owing to non-allocation of its share by the Union Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken by the Union Government to remedy the situation ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) & (b) Yes sir. During State-wise review of ongoing Swajaldhara schemes the reasons given for slow progress of Swajaldhara projects by various State Governments are:

(i) Community contribution is difficult to obtain as other schemes like Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) do not have this element.

(ii) Convincing the community to share capital costs is a long process and takes time.

(iii) At some places, the community withdraws its contribution due to internal differences. There are cases of the community withdrawing its contribution after the funds have been released for works to start. In such cases, either re- convincing the community or relocating the scheme to another habitation takes time.

(iv) Release of 2nd installment is often delayed due to late reporting by districts.

(v) There is shortage of staff at the village and district panchayat levels to undertake extensive and continued dialogue with the communities to explain Swajaldhara principles.

(c) A statement of the funds allocated for Swajaldhara scheme during the last three years and current year, State-wise, is annexed.

(d) to(f) No sir. Funds are allocated to all the States at the beginning of the financial year and communicated to them.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question no. 1550 to be answered on 09.03.2007

Allocations to States under Swajaldhara for 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07

(Rupees in Lakhs)

State	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
A & N. ISLANDS	12.00	12.69	25.01	20.00
ANDHRA PRADESH	1616.07	1632.65	4065.55	2160.00
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	447.41	473.76	933.61	449.00
ASSAM	754.59	797.36	1571.29	755.00
BIHAR	873.73	923.98	2232.74	1830.00
CHANDIGARH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CHATTISGARH	262.80	332.20	750.97	645.00
D. & N. HAVELI	8.00	8.46	16.67	13.00

DAMAN & DIU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DELHI	6.00	6.35	12.50	10.00
GOA	14.55	15.04	28.05	25.00
GUJARAT	765.56	2000.09	2172.94	1382.00
HARYANA	234.23	246.48	682.31	448.00
HIMACHAL PRADESH	680.19	677.16	1667.72	1068.00
JAMMU & KASHMIR	1497.90	1560.02	2900.60	2578.00
JHARKHAND	356.02	368.12	1074.14	715.00
KARNATAKA	1397.03	1515.04	3005.31	1930.00
KERALA	504.03	492.54	1046.19	687.00
LAKSHADWEEP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MADHYA PRADESH	840.54	966.49	2696.24	1852.00
MAHARASHTRA	2172.15	2935.46	5359.79	3562.00
MANIPUR	153.59	162.86	320.93	154.00
MEGHALAYA	176.96	186.12	366.77	176.00
MIZORAM	126.88	133.25	262.58	126.00
NAGALAND	130.22	137.48	361.24	130.00
ORISSA	733.28	865.23	2409.99	1018.00
PONDICHERRY	6.00	6.35	12.50	10.00
PUNJAB	313.79	351.11	580.45	404.00
RAJASTHAN	2191.77	2866.81	6179.19	2920.00
SIKKIM	53.42	57.11	112.53	54.00
TAMILNADU	673.22	1118.80	2306.82	1332.00
TRIPURA	156.93	164.97	325.10	156.00
UTTAR PRADESH	1532.91	1621.06	3608.10	3093.00
UTTARANCHAL	364.33	378.67	1112.15	741.00
WEST BENGAL	943.90	1064.06	2585.18	1557.00
TOTAL	20000.00	24077.77	50785.16	32000.00